CLAIMS

1. Method of managing chargeable parking of vehicles, of the type using a plurality of vehicle immobilizing devices (1) to immobilize defaulting vehicles, wherein a release code (8) is delivered to the user after payment of the corresponding fine, characterized in that it comprises the following steps:

a) providing at least one parking terminal (2) equipped with payment means (3),

b) providing a server (4) comprising a database (6) connected to the parking terminal (4) and containing a list of pairs of data items each formed of an identifier (7) assigned to an immobilizing device and an associated release code (8),

c) in the event of a release request from a user (0), entering the identifier (7) of said immobilizing device (1) at said parking terminal (2),

d) at the parking terminal (2), setting up a session for payment of the amount corresponding to releasing the vehicle immobilizing device by means of the payment means (3), and communicating the identifier (3) entered in this way to the server (4) after validation of the payment session,

e) at the server (4), receiving the identifier (7) entered in this way and in response delivering the associated release code (8) to the terminal,

f) at the terminal (2), receiving the release code (8) delivered in this way to supply it to the user (0).

2. Installation for managing chargeable parking of vehicles, of the type comprising a plurality of vehicle immobilizing devices (1) for immobilizing vehicles defaulting, and wherein a release code (8) is delivered to the user (0) after payment of an amount corresponding to releasing the vehicle immobilizing

device, characterized in that it further comprises:

- a parking terminal (2) comprising payment means (3), and

- a server (4) comprising a database (6)
5 connected to the parking terminal and containing a list of pairs of data items each formed of an identifier (7) assigned to an immobilizing device (1) and an associated release code (8), and in that in the event of a release request from a user, the parking terminal (2) is adapted
10 to set up a session for payment of the amount corresponding to releasing the vehicle immobilizing device by means of said payment means (3) and to communicate to the server (4) the identifier of the immobilizing device to be released after validation of
15 the payment session, while the server (4) is adapted to receive the identifier (7) entered in this way and to deliver in response thereto the associated release code (8) to the terminal, in order to release the immobilizing device concerned.

20   3. Parking terminal belonging to the installation according to claim 1, characterized in that it comprises payment means (3) adapted to process payment means from the group comprising coins, a bank card, an electronic wallet or the like, a mobile telephone.

25   4. Terminal according to claim 3, characterized in that it comprises means for entering an identifier from the group comprising a keypad and/or a screen, a bar code reader, a ticket reader of the contact or contactless type, a transceiver adapted to set up a call
30 to a mobile telephone or the like.

      5. Terminal according to claim 3 or claim 4, characterized in that it comprises means adapted to deliver the release code (8) on a printed receipt or stored on a ticket of the contact or contactless type that
35 the immobilizing device (1) concerned is able to read.